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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PRATT AND WHITNEY/ROLLS-ROYCE COLLABOR
ATION ON JT-10-D ENGINE

REF: (A) LONDON 14602 (10/13/76); (B) LONDON 5307

1. MAJOR BRITISH NEWSPAPERS MAY 7 AND 9 REPORTED THAT
PLANS FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN ROLLS AND P&W ON THE
JT-10-D ENGINE (REFTELS) HAVE BEEN SCRAPPED. ROLLS HAS
APPARENTLY DECIDED TO DROP THE PROJECT IN FAVOR OF A
CLIPPED-FAN VERSION OF ITS RB-211 ENGINE, THUS SAVING
CONSIDERABLE DEVELOPMENT COSTS ON THE JOINT JT-10-D
PROJECT.

2. THE FINANCIAL TIMES WROTE THAT THE DECISION WAS
REACHED AMICABLY BETWEEN THE TWO FIRMS AFTER AN ASSESS-
MENT INDICATED THE JT-10-D WOULD NOT BE SUITABLE, AS
INTENDED, FOR A NEW GENERATION OF SHORT AND MEDIUM RANGE
CIVIL AIRCRAFT. THE FACT THAT PROJECTED DEVELOPMENT
COSTS HAD ALMOST DOUBLED FROM THE ORIGINAL 500 MILLION
DOLLARS OVER THE PAST YEAR WAS ALSO SAID TO BE A MAJOR
FACTOR IN THE DECISION.

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